

OSA 0837-64

24 February 1964

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MEMORANDUM FOR:  Assistant General  
Counsel

SUBJECT : Professional Liability Insurance for  
Military Physicians Assigned to The  
Office of Special Activities

REFERENCES : A. Memorandum for OGC (OSA 3251-63),  
Subj: Malpractice Insurance US Air  
Force Agency Detailed Doctors, dated  
12 June 1963.

B. Memorandum for Deputy Chief, SD,OSA  
(OGC 63-1710(a)), subject as above,  
dated 2 July 1963.

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1. In accordance with our several conversations and  
the reference memorandums, presented below are the names  
of the individuals on whom we wish to obtain additional  
so-called malpractice insurance coverage through your  
 facilities.

2. Because of the somewhat unusual circumstances  
under which we ask our military detailee Doctors to prac-  
tice, there is a very good likelihood that the malpractice  
protection which they would normally enjoy through stan-  
dard commercial policies or their relationship with the  
military would not be applicable. For example, these  
Doctors are required to treat various types of civilians,  
some of whom have no direct employment relationship with  
the U.S. Government. Also they are required to practice  
in States or foreign countries where they may be unable  
or where it would be infeasible to obtain commercial  
protection. For these reasons we have requested an opinion

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from the Office of General Counsel as to the propriety of the Agency's payment of supplemental insurance coverage through [redacted]. Reference b advises that Agency payment of such premiums is warranted as an operational expense.

3. Subject to future adjustment we are forwarding to you at this time \$310.00 which represents individual premium payments of \$62.00 each. It is our understanding that this premium will purchase coverage up to \$300,000 per individual.

4. The officers to be insured are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Estimated Agency Tour Termination</u>
[redacted]	Jan. 66 Sept. 65 Feb. 66 Feb. 67 Mar. 65

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